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THE BRETHREN CHURCH.

My Church! My Church! my dear old church,

My father's and my own;
On prophets and Apostles built,
And Christ the corner stone.
All else beside, by storm or tide

May yet be overthrown,
But not my church, my dear old church,
My father's and my own.

My Church! My Church! my dear old church,

My glory and my pride;
Firm in the faith Immanuel taught,
She holds no faith beside.

Upon this rock 'gainst every shock,
Though gates of hell assail,
She stands secure, with promise sure
They never shall prevail.

My Church! My Church! my dear old church,

I love her ancient name,
And God forbid a child of her's
Should ever do her shame;
Her mother care I'll ever share,
Her child I am alone,
Till He who gave me to her arms
Shall call me to his own.

My Church! My Church! my dear old church,

I've heard the tale of blood;
Of hearts that loved her to the death,
The great, the wise, the good;
Our martyrs they defied the fires
For Christ the crucified,
The ONCE DELIVERED FAITH to keep,
They burned, they bled, they died.

My church! My Church! I love my church,

For she exalts my Lord,
She speak, she breathes, she teaches not.
But from his holy word,
And if her voice bids me rejoice
From all my sins released,
'Tis through th' atoning sacrifice
And Jesus is the Priest.

My Church! My Church! I love my church,

For she doth lead me on,
To Zion's palace beautiful,
From all below she bids me go
To Him the life, the way;
The truth to guide my erring feet
From darkness into day.

—Selected by J. L. Bowman.

Jones Mills, Pa., Feb. 2, '94

Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good.

OUR SCHOOL.

BY D. BAILEY.

I have read with interest Dr. Garst's article in EVANGELIST for Jan. 30, and I shall attempt to follow in a short paper, not so much in the way of reply, as in bringing out more definitely my own views on a certain point. I think Dr. Garst's exception to the name is well taken, but as there was a good reason for taking that name it will, perhaps, do little harm, as most prospective students will undoubtedly look over the advertised course of study, to some extent at least, before matriculating. The course of study, however, I regard as a very important feature, the brother has well said that in the true University course we will have sharp and abundant competition in this part of Ohio, and for this competition we are ready neither in finances nor prospective students. It is a fact that in its fourteen years of existence Ashland College has never had a student from a Brethren family who desired, and was financially able to take a regular college course. This being the case, it would certainly be the part of wisdom to advance very carefully in lengthening the course of study. Now as to the nature of the course, would it be advisable for us to run a preparatory department to "hitch on" to somebody's college other than our own? Now I wish it understood that I am not dictating, but if the suggestions that follow have any value, let them be considered. I would suggest, then, that we have a one year's course in English, complete within itself as may be, such as would be valuable to persons wishing to teach in the country schools. Then add to this a second year with higher mathematics, Natural Sciences, higher English or Latin if desired; this course too, I should say should look more to completeness within itself than to its connection with anything to follow.

For the third year I would suggest a continuation of the same idea with the introduction of Greek and Metaphysics in the course. It would, perhaps, be found advisable to introduce some Metaphysics in the second year, but as these are merely suggestions, it is not necessary to go into detail. I make these suggestions, to show that I am not afraid to advance my ideas, and I do it, not in a spirit of controversy, but to open for friendly discussion a subject on which every brother and sister should think and think soberly, prayerfully and advisedly without delay.

THE NEW CHARTER.

We clip the following from the *New Charter*, published by N. W. Wilkins of Santa Creg, California:

We believe in the home, but there will never be an ideal home except where love and equality reign.

The strong can take care of themselves. The weak and defenseless should be made secure in all their rights.

The woman who thinks that men have a natural right to rule over women is too slavish to be anything but a slave.

I admire feminine beauty, but the loveliest women I have seen are those whose eyes shine with intelligence and purity.

If the American men were not better on the average than the laws they have made relating to women, life would not be worth living for the women.

The constitutional amendment for equal suffrage in Colorado carried overwhelmingly. Step by step the women are marching on to equality and freedom.

So long as good citizens, in the name of party, vote for men that they wouldn't invite into their homes, just so long will we have bad laws and a bad administration of law.

The man who votes for a system that compels him to rob his little children of school, and put them at work at starvation wages to eke out the family subsistence, is a fit subject for disfranchisement.

Both men and women are trained to believe that God has two codes of morals, one for men and another for women. The most regretful thing about it is, that the average woman bows submissively to the supposed double code.

Starve a woman and you starve her unborn child. Cramp her soul life and you dwarf the soul of her child. Burden her with work, deprive her of happiness, abuse her and merit her hate and you are sowing seeds of evil that will find a harvest in her offspring, stamped prenatally with everything that affected the mother, physically, mentally and morally.

O the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! how unsearchable are his judgments, and his ways past finding out.